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OLYMPIC PODIUM

Norwegians Are Super in G Kjetil Andre Aamodt of Norway won the gold, and teammate Jan Einar Thorsen won the bronze medal Sunday in the men's super-giant slalom...

And Not Bad in the 1,500 Johann Olav Koss, a three-event world record holder hospitalized a week ago, edged Norwegian teammate Ande Sondral to take the 1,500-meter speedskating gold.

Nieminen: Still a Sweet 16 Toni Nieminen, the 16-year-old Finnish ski jumper who leaped into the Olympic record books last week as the youngest to win a gold, got his second with the two longest jumps off the 120-meter hill...

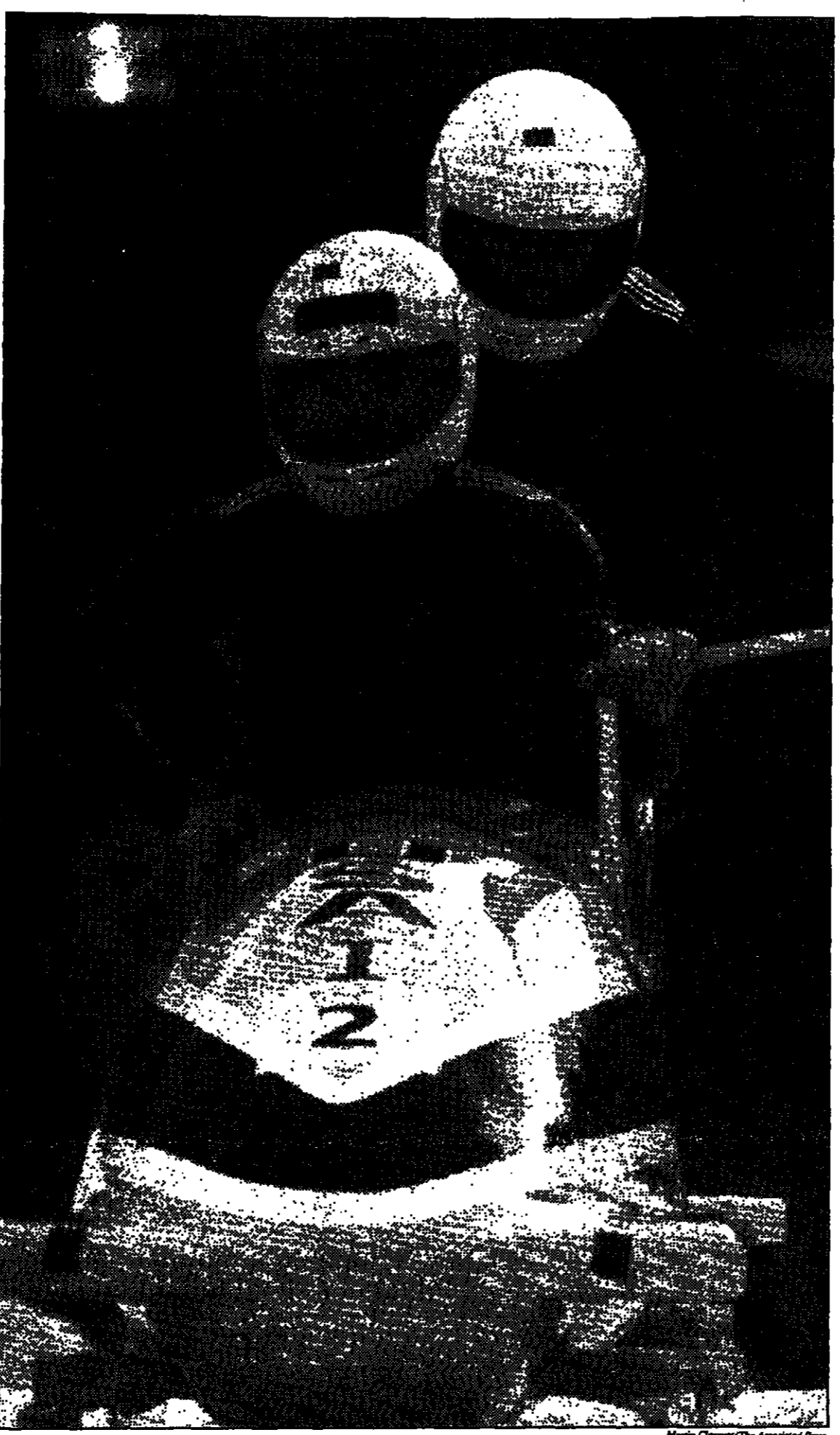
Duchesnays: Moving Up French stars Isabelle and Paul Duchesnay finished second in the original dance to move up to second overall behind the Russians Marina Klimova and Sergei Ponomarenko going into Monday night's free dance...

A French First in Hockey France qualified for the medal round in the hockey tournament for the first time by beating Norway, 4-2, and in the process eliminated the Norwegians and the Swiss. The Unified Team handed Canada its first loss, 5-4, and Czechoslovakia finished its preliminary-round play with a 4-2 victory over Switzerland in a game that meant little to either team.

Swiss Go Bobbin' Along Gustav Weder and Donat Acklin of Switzerland, fifth after the first two runs, rallied to win the gold medal in the two-man bobsled competition at the Olympics. German teams came in second and third, while the British sled of Mark Tout and Lenny Paul, leading after Saturday's two runs, slowed to sixth.

More Stasi Informers Two leading German sports officials hinted that more Olympic athletes from the former East Germany would be identified as collaborators with that country's secret police. But they said that in the interest of holding the German team together, they had chosen to wait until after the Winter Games to decide whether to pursue an inquiry.

An End to a Streak Mark Kirchner joined three other athletes as a double champion in the Winter Olympics as he led Germany to a 22.8-second victory over the Unified Team in the men's 4 x 7.5-kilometer biathlon relay. It was the first time a non-Soviet team had won the men's relay since it was added to the Winter Games' program in 1968.



Herschel Walker, rear, and his driver, Brian Shimer, beginning their last run, and another controversy, Sunday.

A Gridiron Bull Has Trouble Playing Tinkerbell

By Dave Anderson New York Times Service LA PLAGNE, France — Up at the top of the Olympic bobsled run, near a grove of fir trees frosted silver by snow, the voice on the public-address system announced, "Getting ready, United States 1." And near the bottom of the icy chute, the voice of an American boy sounded, "Yay, Herschel."

shipped a truckload of players and draft choices to the Dallas Cowboys during the 1989 season. He complains, "I didn't play football the last couple of years; I was more tired running on and off the field." But when Viking veterans reported early to training camp last summer to learn a new offense created for him, he was in Lake Placid practicing his bobsled push. On a diet here of bread, french fries, fruit juice and water, he's the pusher on both the two-man and four-man American bobsled teams even though some of his teammates have forgotten more about the technique than he knows. After the two-man sled finished seventh Sunday with Brian Shimer driving, Walker provoked more comments about his potential than his performance. The United States coach, Jim Hickey, thought that with a better start, the sled might have snatched the gold medal.

Walker's rushing stats as a running back are measured in yards. But his bobsled team's times are measured in 100ths of a second. The blink of an eye, if that. In finishing seventh with a total time of 4 minutes, 35.5 seconds over four runs, the Shimer-Walker team was a total of only 69 hundredths of a second behind the gold-medal Swiss team and only 33 hundredths away from displacing Germany's second sled for the bronze medal. At a muscular 6 feet (1.8 meters) and 225 pounds (102 kilograms) with sprinter's speed, Walker appears to have been chiseled for his bobsled role by an ice sculptor. "You want to come out of the start with fire in your eyes," he has said. "But as you get to the time to get in the sled, you want to be like a ballet dancer. So you want to start out like a raging bull and then turn into Tinkerbell."

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Kiosk 13 Protesters Slain in Zaire KINSHASA, Zaire (Reuters)—At least 13 people were killed Sunday when security forces opened fire on demonstrators in the Zairian capital, Information Minister Kifenge Yezzi said. Witnesses said that troops loyal to President Mobutu Sese Seko had used force to break up a peaceful pro-democracy protest led by Roman Catholic priests and opposition politicians. The protest, which began after Sunday morning services, had been banned by the authorities. General News The rebel Serbian enclave of Krajina voted to oust Milan Babic, its leader. Page 4. Business/Finance OPEC's agreement to reduce oil output is not expected to bolster prices. Page 7. Nestlé SA won French approval to proceed with its bid for Source Perrier SA. Page 7. Weather Page 2.

France Pulls an Environmental Holdup

By Marlise Simons New York Times Service PARIS — France, with its keen eye for seizing the spirit of the moment, has played host to more prestigious conferences and printed more glossy pamphlets on the plight of the environment than most rich nations. Yet, single-handedly, France is now holding up the birth of the long-awaited European Environmental Agency, which is to set and enforce common policies for the region's crowded environment. The countries that have signed the plans envision the agency as the most powerful international tool yet to tackle environmental problems. Clearly seen as a prestige project, the agency has attracted bids from 11 of the 12 member states to have its headquarters on their territory. But the agency is caught in a turf dispute that has nothing to do with ecology and everything to do with the future permanent home of the European Parliament. France wants the Parliament to remain in Strasbourg, in eastern France. Most Parliament members

have also vented anger, particularly in northern countries like Germany, Denmark and the Netherlands, where public opinion sees stopping the deterioration of the environment as a priority and where the national legislatures are in the process of imposing the world's strictest environmental regulations. The impasse is all the more embarrassing, Brussels officials say, because it comes at a time when nations elsewhere are looking to Western Europe as an example for

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New Polish Leaders Return to Old Ways

By Stephen Engelberg New York Times Service WARSAW — After riding to power on growing public opposition to Poland's economic program, the new government is reluctantly embracing the main tenets of its predecessors. An economic program to be announced Monday promises a loosening of the money supply and help for the ailing state sector. But Prime Minister Jan Olszewski's government is insisting that the total deficit will be held to 5 percent to 6 percent of the gross national product, slightly more than 1991. The big question, however, is whether the package will meet the budget austerity requirements of the International Monetary Fund. Forgiveness of half of Poland's \$45 billion foreign debt, tentatively agreed upon last year, depends on receiving the fund's imprimatur. A senior Polish official warned that the plan to be announced Monday may not satisfy the fund. The IMF suspended a three-year agreement with Poland last year after targets for money supply growth and budget deficits vastly exceeded projections. Fund representatives told Polish economic planners last week that Poland must live within its means. Such restraint was lacking in the past year, when real wages rose 3 percent even as productivity fell sharply.

"I wonder if the IMF realizes how difficult is the social and political situation of this country," the senior Polish official said. "We need to have a sensible budget, but we need to preserve democratic processes, and one need has to be balanced against the other." During the electoral campaign, Mr. Olszewski called for renegotiation of Poland's deal with the IMF. Now he is boxed in by a budget deficit, facing growing opposition within his own parliament, and has found little room to maneuver. Once the star of post-Communist economics for its bold program of "shock therapy," Poland

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Israelis Assassinate Hezbollah Chief After Arabs Kill 3 Soldiers

By Clyde Haberman New York Times Service JERUSALEM — Israeli forces killed the leader of the pro-Iranian Hezbollah in Lebanon on Sunday in a lightning strike by helicopter gunships that reportedly also left his wife and son and at least four bodyguards dead. The dramatic raid on a motorcade carrying the Shiite Muslim leader, Sheikh Abbas Musawi, kept this part of the Middle East locked in a new cycle of violence that was likely to cast a pall on U.S.-brokered peace talks that are scheduled to resume in Washington on Feb. 24. Despite the closeness of the timing, the attack on Sheikh Musawi that came later Sunday may not have been related to the other incidents. By its very nature, it seemed to have required careful planning, making it unlikely, in the view of some Israeli military commentators, that it would have been put together in a hurry. According to reports from Lebanon, two Israeli helicopters descended on a seven-vehicle convoy carrying Sheikh Musawi, his family, and bodyguards after they left a rally in the southern Lebanese town of Jibehet. Rockets blew apart the Mercedes in which Sheikh Musawi was riding as well as two vehicles carrying bodyguards. A Hezbollah spokesman said that the sheikh, his wife, Sham, and their six-year-old son, Hussein, burned to death in the car. Senior Israeli officials labeled

the attack the work of the mainstream Fatah faction of the Palestine Liberation Organization. Israel retaliated early Sunday with air strikes on two Palestinian refugee camps in southern Lebanon. Four people, including two children, were killed and about 12 others were wounded. [The U.S. State Department on Sunday expressed regret at the loss of life in Israel and Lebanon and urged all concerned to exercise maximum restraint.] Retirees reported from Washington. Defense Minister Moshe Arens on Sunday denounced Hezbollah as a "murderous, terrorist organization," and said that Sheikh Musawi, who was elected secretary-general of the pro-Iranian group in 1990, was "a man with lots of blood on his hands." Mr. Arens sought to connect the raid in Lebanon to the deaths of the three Israeli soldiers by saying, "It's a message to all terrorist organizations: Whoever opens an account with us will have the account closed by us." "This is true for all the bands, all the terrorist organizations, all the leaders," he said. Hezbollah issued a statement in Beirut calling the strike against

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Bush Bedeviled by Buchanan President's Team Jittery in New Hampshire

By E.J. Dionne Jr. and John E. Yang Washington Post Service GOFFSTOWN, New Hampshire — George Bush's re-election campaign is confronting its first test of 1992 in a jittery mood, with the president coming under fierce assault by Patrick J. Buchanan, his Republican rival, and the entire field of Democratic candidates prior to Tuesday's state primary. Seeking support during a weekend of campaigning in the state, Mr. Bush implicitly acknowledged that waves of televised attacks on his record over the last month had taken their toll, and he complained that voters here had been subjected to "flat, outright lies." "I really honestly believe the people of New Hampshire are a little bit tired of the negative advertising and the attack-dog tactics coming from the left and the right," Mr. Bush said at a rally at the Nashua airport. His supporters seemed to be preparing the ground for a weak showing against Mr. Buchanan, as the conservative commentator began a round of advertising taking aim at Mr. Bush's new tax proposals. The tag line on the ads: "New Hampshire, don't be fooled again."

Mr. Bush has taken an extraordinary pounding on the New Hampshire airwaves in recent weeks. Not only has Mr. Buchanan attacked mercilessly, but four of the Democratic candidates — Paul E. Tsongas, Bill Clinton, Bob Kerrey and Tom Harkin — have run sizable media campaigns implicitly or explicitly holding Mr. Bush responsible for New Hampshire's deep economic troubles. By contrast, the president's media campaign has been mild and

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George Bush, responding to a questioner in New Hampshire.

Rockefellers Go for Growth

By Richard D. Hylton New York Times Service NEW YORK — The Rockefeller name is synonymous with the summits of wealth and philanthropic largesse. The family has founded museums, universities, philanthropic foundations and some of the biggest national parks in the United States. But, like so many Americans, the Rockefellers — albeit on a grander scale — are worried that their future generations may not be able to enjoy the life or influence that the family now has. And so they have begun a vigorous effort to bolster their fortune, which they currently estimate at \$5 billion to \$10 billion. For decades, the family quietly collected the interest on billions of dollars, and gave away hundreds of millions. What changed? Some family members pressed for access to the core of the fortune to increase their income. The climate for investment soured and produced lower yields. And most important, as the family grew, so did

the number of people with claims to pieces of the fortune. "Historically our goal has been the preservation of wealth rather than the amassing of wealth," said David Rockefeller Jr., one of the many great-grandchildren of John D. Rockefeller, the family patriarch and America's first billionaire. "But now that the client base is moving to 100 there is a new emphasis on growth." In trying to rebuild their legendary wealth, the Rockefellers for the last few years have made numerous and substantial private investments in Asia, Latin America and Europe. They have created a formal corporate structure under which most of their diverse business enterprises operate. And they are slowly increasing the level of risk they are willing to take in the quest for larger returns on their investments. The family fortune has accustomed the Rockefellers to living very well indeed. And for most of this century, they have also had a unique level of power and prestige that has gone hand in hand

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Tsongas and Clinton, Down to the Wire

By Robin Toner
New York Times Service

MANCHESTER, New Hampshire — The New Hampshire Democratic primary contest produced a final weekend of emotional campaigning with much of the drama coming from the appeals of two men: Governor Bill Clinton, battling to prove the endurance of a candidacy that began with great hopes, and a former senator, Paul E. Tsongas, almost tearfully thanking supporters for carrying him farther than he was expected to go.

Mr. Clinton campaigned with passion and seeming abandon, fortified by polls suggesting that his candidacy had bottomed out after the furor over his draft history and may be on the upswing.

"I want these people to see me out there working hard, reaching out to them and fighting until the last dog dies," the Arkansas governor said Saturday as he and his wife, Hillary, stalked the voters of Manchester, cornering every passer-by and greeting every child.

Mr. Tsongas came close to tears as he thanked campaign workers for sticking with him.

"I'm so grateful," he said. "Without you, there would be no campaign, no credibility. I hope you feel what I feel about you."

He sounded almost awed by the status he has achieved by moving past Mr. Clinton in the polls.

The weekend polls showed Mr. Tsongas at the head of the Democratic pack, followed by Mr. Clinton. Senator Tom Harkin of Iowa and Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska were neck and neck for third.

The Kerrey campaign has all but conceded the top spot in the New Hampshire race and

is hoping to emerge with enough support to go to the primaries in the West.

Speaking Saturday in Concord, Mr. Kerrey seemed relaxed and insisted he was confident.

"I look forward to debating Paul Tsongas in South Dakota," he said, referring to the

'I want these people to see me working hard, reaching out to them and fighting until the last dog dies.'

Governor Bill Clinton

Feb. 25 primary there. "It will be a much different debate."

As with many New Hampshire primaries, political fortunes have shifted time and again in these final days. And no one was making hard predictions about the outcome after a nationally televised debate on Sunday night, an event that is expected to be a rough collision of candidates going for broke.

This is, in short, a classic New Hampshire primary, in which about 125,000 Democrats in this quirky, arid state — 98 percent white, ranked 40th in population — test and torment a handful of candidates and define their party's presidential future.

Whatever else comes out of this primary, the voters have set the framework for the national debate, forcing the candidates to produce an array of economic plans and to stick to the bread-and-butter issues that

seemed lost in the 1988 presidential campaign.

Many of the voters here seem dazed by how quickly their boom of the 1980s turned to bust.

Marie Mullikin, a Derry resident who became a symbol of economic distress when she presented Mr. Harkin with a fat sheaf of home-foreclosure notices in her community, said in an interview: "This is going on all over the country, and the president says there is nothing wrong. Mr. President, there is."

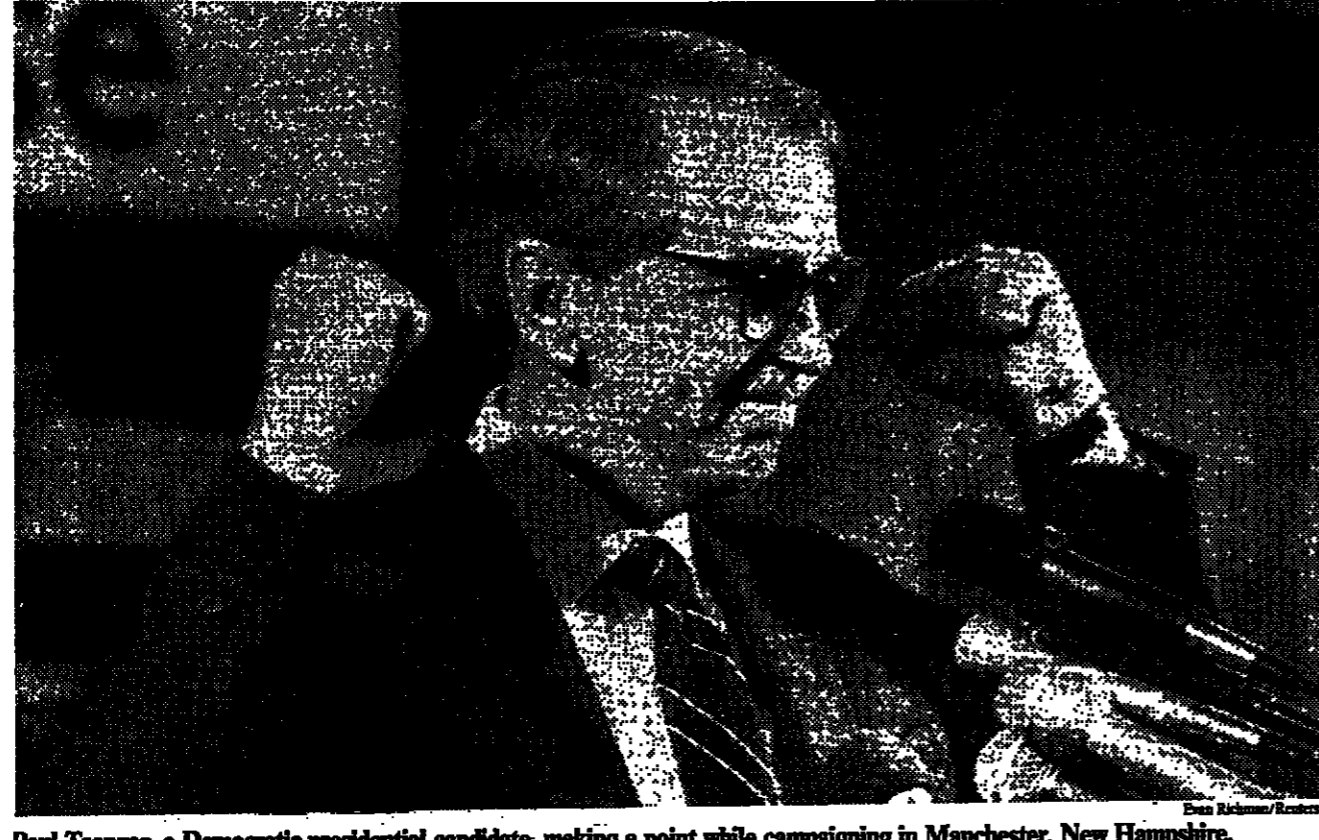
All the candidates were closing with economic appeals. Mr. Kerrey's television commercials said he was running for president because "the dream of prosperity for the middle class has been shattered."

And Mr. Harkin, who has escalated his attacks on his rivals in recent days, was denouncing his opponents for backing special "fast track" authority for President George Bush to negotiate a free-trade agreement with Mexico.

Mr. Harkin, who is campaigning as the voice of traditional Democratic values and is hustling to make the cut in New Hampshire as a major contender, used as his backdrop Saturday a rubber and tire plant where workers were notified last week that the factory would close within a year and more than 200 jobs would be transferred to Mexico.

Mr. Tsongas said at his rally in Manchester that his campaign was also about "jobs, jobs, jobs," although his economic proposals are far different from Mr. Harkin's — including a cut in the tax on capital gains to encourage investment.

And Mr. Clinton was touting his record in Arkansas "for better jobs and better education."



Paul Tsongas, a Democratic presidential candidate, making a point while campaigning in Manchester, New Hampshire.

Killer of 15 Was Sane, Milwaukee Jury Finds

By Edward Walsh
Washington Post Service

MILWAUKEE — A jury has decided that the confessed serial killer Jeffrey L. Dahmer was legally sane when he murdered and dismembered 15 boys and men in one of the nation's most grotesque killing sprees.

Mr. Dahmer, who faces mandatory life imprisonment for each of the murders, will be sentenced Monday. Wisconsin does not have capital punishment.

The dramatic end to the case that shocked and horrified this city and the country came Saturday as Judge Laurence C. Gram Jr. of Milwaukee County Circuit Court read 15 separate verdicts that Mr. Dahmer was not suffering from mental disease at the time of each of the killings.

When Judge Gram read the 15th verdict, assuring that Mr. Dahmer would be imprisoned and not committed to a state mental institution, cheers and applause erupted in the part of the courtroom reserved for relatives of the victims.

Two of the 12 jurors disagreed with the verdicts, but only 10 votes were necessary for a ruling in the unusual sanity trial.

Mr. Dahmer pleaded guilty to the murders last month. He also pleaded not guilty by reason of insanity. To find him insane, 10 of the jurors had to agree that he suffered from a mental disease that prevented him from knowing right from wrong, or made him unable to control his actions.

The trial centered on the question of whether Mr. Dahmer could control himself, but the jury never got that far, ruling that he did not suffer from a mental disease.

"This met my fondest hope," the Milwaukee County district attorney, E. Michael McCann, said of the verdict. "The tragedy here is I think he could have stopped at any time."

The defense attorney, Gerald P. Boyle, said he warned Mr. Dahmer, 31, earlier Saturday that he would probably lose on the insanity issue. After the verdict, Mr. Boyle said, his client told him, "Thanks for trying."

"I know we have brought some peace of mind to him," Mr. Boyle said. "Now he knows he was sick. He wasn't so sick as to give him a defense."

The relatives of Mr. Dahmer's



Jeffrey L. Dahmer in court, displaying a mock tablet he put together, with a story on the killings.

victims praised the jury of five women and seven men, who deliberated for about 10 hours beginning Friday afternoon.

"I am just overwhelmed by that verdict," said Therese Smith, the sister of Edward W. Smith, 28, who was killed by Mr. Dahmer in June 1990.

Mr. Dahmer sat impassively, his eyes downcast, as Judge Gram read the 15 verdicts. His father, Lionel, and stepmother, Shari, also were in the courtroom. After the verdicts were read, the Reverend Gene Champion, a Baptist minister who has been counseling some of the relatives of the victims, spoke briefly with Mr. Dahmer's parents.

"They're victims too," he said. "They're hurting. They need help too."

Mr. Champion and others said they hoped the verdicts would begin to diminish the racial tension that has built up in Milwaukee since the murderous rampage, in which a gay white man victimized mostly gay black men. The jury included one black member.

After the verdicts, the jury met with state-appointed psychiatrists. Jurors have been offered free counseling; they have had to hear some of the most gruesome testimony ever presented in a courtroom.

The major issue throughout the trial was whether Mr. Dahmer could control his bizarre compulsion to have sex with the dead. He acknowledged repeatedly that he knew his actions were wrong. The only basis thus left for an insanity

defense was the claim that he could not control himself.

Hoping for an insanity verdict in at least one of the 15 murder counts, Mr. Boyle stressed what he called the progressive nature of Mr. Dahmer's mental illness. He said that after Mr. Dahmer killed his fifth victim, Anthony Sears, in March 1989, "we've got ourselves a

very, very sick, uncontrollable young man."

But Mr. McCann scoffed at the suggestion that Mr. Dahmer could not control himself. He chose his victims carefully, Mr. McCann argued, always targeting men who did not have a car because he knew that automobiles could be used to trace missing persons.

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William Schuman, Composer, Dies at 81

NEW YORK — William Schuman, 81, a composer whose distinctly American style won two Pulitzer Prizes and guided him as the founding president of Lincoln Center and the president of the Juilliard School, died Saturday.

He died after hip surgery, his family said.

Critically acclaimed, Mr. Schuman incorporated American jazz and folk traditions into his works during a musical career that spanned more than 60 years. As an educator and administrator, he

championed American music, composers and performers.

Although it was a secular cantata, "A Free Song," that won Mr. Schuman his first Pulitzer Prize in music, in 1943, his symphonic works are considered his most important accomplishment. He won a second Pulitzer, in 1985, for both his composition and his work as an educator and administrator.

Thomas Kennedy Dies in Spain, An Ex-IHT Editor

PARIS — Thomas J. Kennedy, 65, a retired editor of the International Herald Tribune's editorial page, died Sunday at his home in Coin, Spain, after a long illness.

Mr. Kennedy joined the IHT in the late 1960s after working for The Washington Post in Washington and, for many years, for Time Inc. in Madrid. He was known for his encyclopedic knowledge — a plus he would have quickly edited out of copy with a quiff — about history, sports, music and medicine.

A native of New York City, he served in the Army Air Force during World War II and saw action in the Pacific as a B-29 gunner. He never forgave that war for ruining what he considered to be his promising baseball career, although when pressed he acknowledged that he could not hit a hard curveball.

The funeral was scheduled for Monday in Coin.

AMERICAN TOPICS

Sex in the Spacecraft: A Burgeoning Issue

"One of the most delicate and secret topics of the space age is beginning to go public, at least a bit: sex in space," writes William J. Broad of The New York Times. The National Aeronautics and Space Administration hates to talk about it, but with the advent of long-duration missions with mixed crews, experts say, "romantic couplings are all but inevitable," Mr. Broad reports.

Up to now, space sex has been impracticable. The early space capsules were cramped. Even the space shuttle has only about 2,300 cubic feet (about 65 cubic meters), less than a good-sized living room.

"It's like camping out with your seven best friends in a tent — and you can't go outside," a NASA spokeswoman said. "There's no privacy."

But Space Station Freedom, 350 feet (more than 100 meters) in length, is to be lofted and assembled starting in 1996, with 23,000 cubic feet of inhabitable space, the size of a small hotel. It will put four astronauts in orbit for months at a time.

A mission to Mars in the next century could take two years or more.

Michael Collins, a former astronaut, says in his book "Mission to Mars" that a Mars crew should be made up of married couples, for "an element of stability, of old-shoe comfort."

He adds, "Certainly a singles-bar atmosphere, a charged mixture of sexually unattached competitors, would be a disaster."

But so would a pregnancy, notes Lynn M. Wiley, a reproductive biologist.

It could wreck a mission, and with the unknown hazards of space radiation, "space may not be the best place to get pregnant."

Short Takes

A group of independent scientists has accused the cancer establishment — including the

National Cancer Institute, the American Cancer Society and the chemical industry — of misleading Congress and the public by stressing "lifestyle" causes of cancer such as diet and tobacco.

The Washington Post reports: "The establishment has ignored 'avoidable' exposures to industrial carcinogens in air, food, water and the workplace," said the group's leader, Samuel Epstein, a professor at the University of Illinois School of Public Health. The institute replied that it was fully committed to cancer detection and prevention as well as treatment.

About People

President George Bush has been much criticized for explaining over supermarket scanners as if he had never seen one before. Of course he has, his press secretary, Marlin Fitzwater, maintains. The president was marveling at a new scanner that detects damaged labels, Mr. Fitzwater says, and the criticism "is totally manufactured and maintained."

Not at all, says The New York Times; the videotape shows that "Mr. Bush seemed unfamiliar with even basic scanner technology," and "by continuing to argue the case, the White House has kept alive a story that would otherwise have died down after one or two days."

Arthur Higbee

Consultancy Services Required

The Government of Pakistan has decided that a major effort to improve performance of the telecommunications sector is required to enhance efficiency of the economy and to attain sustainable growth, based on more efficient, reliable and expanded telephone network. To achieve this objective the Government is initiating a far-reaching sector reform programme ranging from incremental enterprise improvement to privatization and sector liberalization. The Government has announced its intention to privatize Pakistan Telecommunication Corporation (PTC) and has received expressions of interest from several potential investors.

The Government has also determined, as a prelude to the liberalization of the sector and the PTC privatization, that an elaborately designed privatization strategy is critically needed. Privatization strategy is critically needed. Privatization of natural monopoly industry such as telecommunications, require substantial sector policy work and preparation for sector regulation and industry structure. With this objective the Government wishes to prepare fair, transparent and credible ground rules.

Based on the above outlined approach towards privatization and liberalization, the government wishes to appoint a consultant for: (i) regulatory development and implementation work; and (ii) privatization transaction advisory work; a firm offering its services for this purpose, can associate with other firm or firms.

Interested firms are advised to contact the undersigned for despatch of letter of invitation and Terms of Reference for the consultancy as well as other related documents which will be faxed to them to avoid delay.

Prior experience, particularly in privatization of telecommunication systems is essential.

Last date for receipt of complete bids is March 6, 1992

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Who are these people? What do they want? Who is behind them?

My name is F. Lee Bailey. I have been counsel for Muhammad Alfassi, and his father, Dr. Sheik Shamsudin Alfassi, for ten years. More than four months ago, my client Muhammad Alfassi was kidnapped in Amman, Jordan, and taken to a secret prison in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia. His crime? Statements he made in Baghdad, Iraq, in October, 1990. He had the courage to suggest that a democracy might be a better practice in the region.

In America, this would be routine freedom of speech. But in Saudi Arabia, a country with no constitution, no right to counsel, no due process of law, and no free press, such language is considered to be highly offensive. Muhammad languishes in inhumane conditions, and no amount of challenge has shaken the Saudis in their denial of his basic human rights.

Late last year I tried to interest the American press in what I thought — as a lawyer who has fought for individual rights for more than 35 years — was a denial of human rights by a supposed *ally* of the United States. Saudi Arabia is no El Salvador, or Nicaragua, or Panama or Grenada whom we can bully at will because we are bigger and stronger (and maybe "wronger.") Saudi Arabia is big, strong (financially) and weak (militarily.) Saddam Hussein could have had Saudi Arabia for lunch had not thousands of Americans and other freedom-loving peoples sent their loved ones to fight for that country and its people.

We did that. We and our allies from around the free world helped to save her from the tyrant, the modern version of Adolf Hitler, Saddam Hussein. Now we are about to stand by and watch her snuff out the voice of a dissident. Is this why we fought to save her?

In November, 1991, advertisements like this one were published, giving the names of some 120 prominent world citizens who deplored the treatment of Muhammad Alfassi for his "crime" of being outspoken. I am grateful to those supporters.

Recently, there appeared in the *New York Times*, the *International Herald-Tribune*, and the *Washington Post* half-page advertisements *supposedly* authorized by 20 of the same 120 people who *supported* Muhammad in November, 1991, proclaiming a withdrawal of their support. These advertisements claim that Muhammad has been charged with *forgery* only, and that he is being treated well.

An investigation by *Article 19*, the London-based International Centre against Censorship — which has publicly supported Muhammad's cause — discloses that many of those named in these latter advertisements had no knowledge that their names were being used in this fashion, and expressed shock and outrage at such fraudulent conduct.

I am investigating the identity of the person who caused these ads to be placed and inquiring into any possible connection with the Saudi government.

In any event, the person who *paid* for these advertisements has made a critical mistake. He (yes, a *he*, not a *she*) published them in the United States. In this country we can learn his identity, how much he paid, who provided the funds, and why he published this ad against the Alfassi family.

These U.S. advertisements state that Muhammad Alfassi is charged with "forgery." Is this so? Who told you that? Are you close to the Saudi government? Why would Saudi officials release this information to you, while ignoring requests from international human rights organizations such as *Article 19*, *Amnesty International*, and *Middle East Watch*, all of whom have demanded to know what the charges against my client are. As his lawyer I will not believe charges against my client that appear after five months of his kidnapping with no communication with the free world; any evidence in such circumstances would likely have been taken by force to prove what the government wants to show. I have written King Fahd directly in a final effort to see my client, and to determine his present condition. I await a response.

We appeal to public opinion to join our efforts once more to release Muhammad. Send your appeal to our address:

Law Offices of F. Lee Bailey
1400 Centrepark Blvd.
Suite 909
West Palm Beach, FL 33401

From all we are told, Muhammad has not been charged with any crime. He is simply *imprisoned*, a state of affairs which cannot occur in free societies.

For you, sir, who placed these questionable ads, I have an offer. Meet me on television and tell your story. Both sides will have the right to ask questions. If you have a legitimate purpose, the world will be listening. If you dare not step forward voluntarily, you will soon do so as a part of due process of law, American Style. You have few days to decide.

Meanwhile, those of you out there who would put Archie Bunker to shame in viewing this whole scenario as some sort of joke, what will you tell your kids if they *do* serious harm to Muhammad simply for expressing an American idea? Did *you* have a loved one in the desert? If so, was he or she sent there to protect a government's right to treat a human being this way? Think about it.

F. Lee Bailey

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Send Peacekeepers

The risks are daunting, but to their credit UN Secretary-General Butros Butros Ghali and his special mediator, Cyrus Vance, are pressing the Security Council to approve a peacekeeping force for Yugoslavia...

A Signal to Rangoon

It is not a grand strategic decision that the United States faces in Burma, but it is one of those important incremental decisions that collectively will determine the shape of the new era...

New Role for Turkey

Washington has habitually viewed Turkey less as a country and more as a Cold War asset located in the timeworn jargon, on NATO's southeastern flank...

Arguing About Cancer

One of the continuing intramural conflicts in the U.S. government's "war on cancer" made an appearance last week when Samuel Epstein, a professor of environmental medicine from the University of Illinois, held a press conference to denounce the priorities of what he calls the "cancer establishment"...

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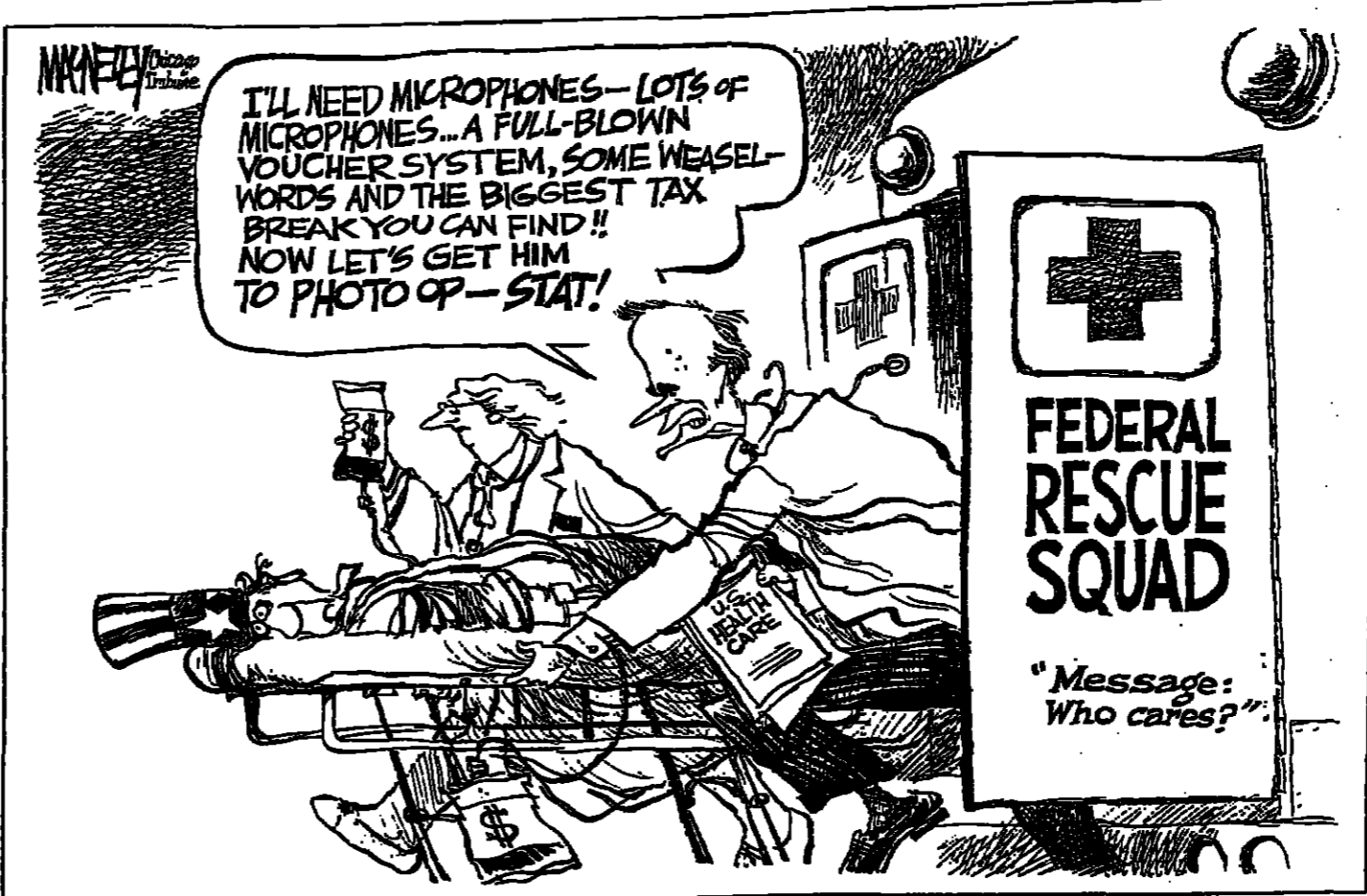
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Go Quickly to the Aid of the Ex-Soviet Republics

By Anthony Lewis

BOSTON — It may have been the greatest failure of American political imagination since World War II, the costliest abdication of leadership: George Bush's failure to join promptly in helping to build new societies in what had been the Soviet Union.

In the former Soviet republics today there are devastating inflation and economic distress, social tensions, political menace. People are asking whether Boris Yeltsin can survive in Russia or may be overthrown by a new authoritarianism of the right.

Truman did with Greek-Turkish aid, the Marshall Plan, the North Atlantic Treaty. And Americans responded, taking on those burdens.

publics turned into productive and democratic participants in the world economy. And the hope of the former Soviet satellites is at risk, too.

A Stabilization Fund Could Halt the Plunge to Chaos

By Georges de Menil

PARIS — As the West still hesitates, Boris Yeltsin is boldly struggling to introduce rudimentary markets and staunch hyperinflation in Russia. He cannot succeed alone.

money without restraint. The former Soviet central bank also continues to print rubles and issue cheap credit unchecked. This must be controlled.

and some financial aid. The Austrians agreed to finance their budget deficit and create an autonomous central bank; the League agreed to guarantee the republic's borders and committed itself to debt rescheduling and additional aid.

Supporting economic reform and stabilization in the former Soviet Union is a challenge and a necessity. The West should stop hesitating and assert constructive leadership.

A Different Climate at the Olympics

By Stephen S. Rosenfeld

WASHINGTON — For a brief moment, but at a good time in our late-century passage, we are being reminded by the Winter Olympics of the new currents of personal and political emotion running in the post-Cold War world.

can hockey goalie Ray LeBlanc. Who doubts it? But there were the Russian pair skaters, their expressions quiet and impenetrable, receiving their gold medals as the Olympic hymn was played and the Olympic flag with its five interlocking universal circles fluttered overhead.

coming on strong as an organizing political principle and is overriding state loyalty, it moves toward establishment of a counter state.

England and her allies, by attacking their shipping with every means at its disposal, the army of hunger with which they pretend to be able to crush the German people.

East Asians Should Help America

By Lee Kuan Yew

The writer is senior minister and former prime minister of Singapore.

KYOTO, Japan — After the collapse of the Soviet Union, the United States sees the next threat as primarily economic, coming first and foremost from Japan.

To illustrate how vulnerable Americans feel, I refer to a nationwide sample survey of 600 company personnel executives in nearly all U.S. business sectors conducted by HR Strategies, a Detroit firm.

The Americans are in a political malaise. Their academics and commentators know and publicly discuss their problems. But there is no political will, either in the Republican or Democratic Party, to get American voters to face the facts of life: that they are living beyond their means and that to regain competitiveness they must cut spending, especially on welfare, increase savings and investments and improve education and work attitudes, before consumption can be allowed to rise again.

East Asia, including Japan, needs a United States that has a robust economy and is self-confident. It is such an America after World War II that enabled East Asia to get where it now is.

Obviously we must work for a successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round of global trade negotiations. However, the key stumbling block is European Community agricultural subsidies, which we cannot influence.

Japan and the rest of East Asia must be patient, forbearing and helpful to keep the United States engaged both in the economic and security fields.

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1917: 'With Every Means' COPENHAGEN — A despatch from Berlin addressed this order by the Kaiser to his sea forces: "In the decisive struggles now at hand the task for my fleet is to turn against

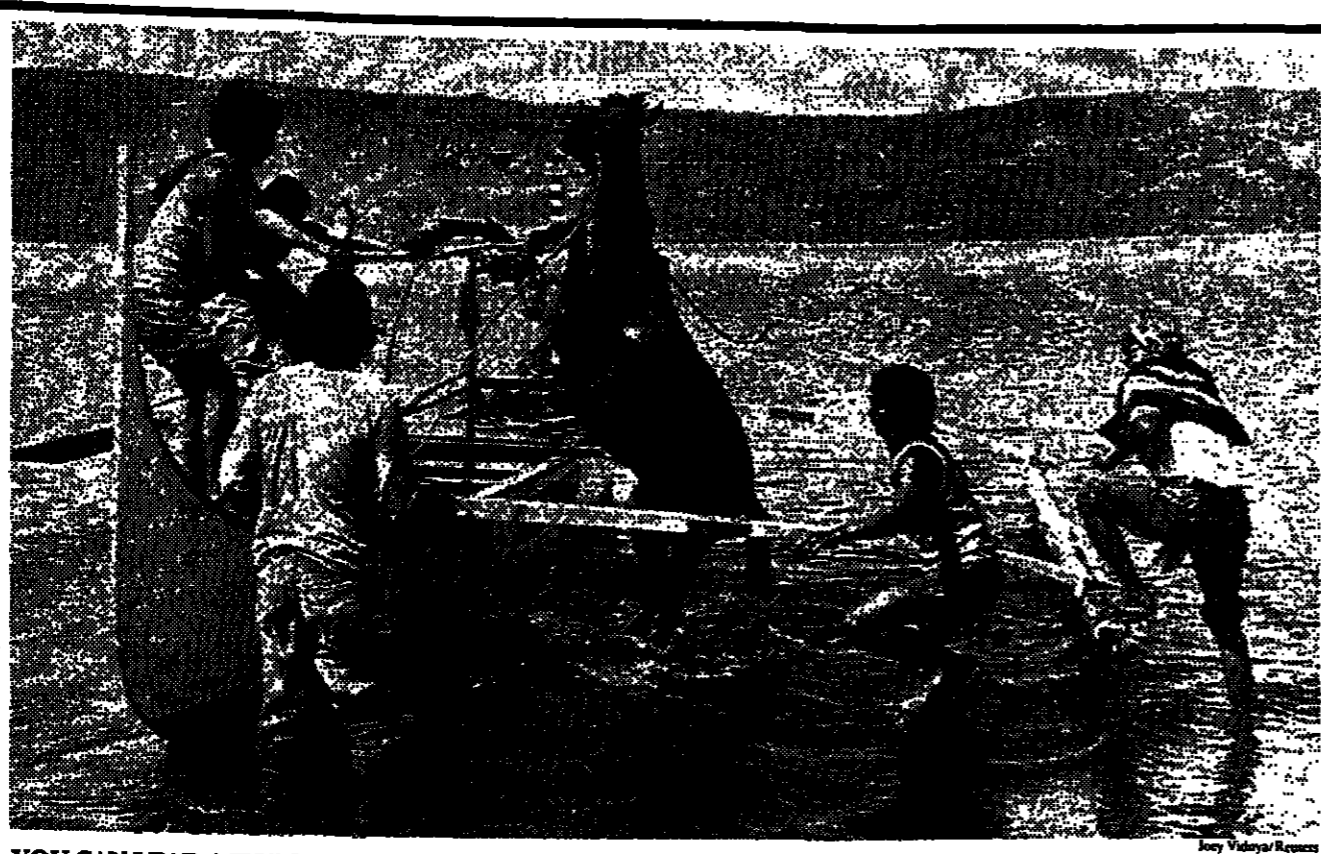


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East Asian Should Help America

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YOU CAN LEAD A HORSE TO WATER — Evacuees from the earthquake-rattled Taal volcano area, south of Manila, trying to load a nervous horse onto an outrigger-fitted boat on Sunday after scientists warned that a major eruption could be imminent.

Bangladeshi Coast Is Awaiting Disaster

By Steve Coll

CHARPARA, Bangladesh — Along the sandy coastline of the Bay of Bengal, a clatter of hammers fills the air as fishermen rebuild houses from bamboo and grass where they were flattened in April by a storm that local relief agencies say killed about 100,000 people.

But while the fishermen show their resilience, the government of Bangladesh is being criticized for paralysis. Nine months after the cyclone, despite several hundred million dollars in foreign humanitarian aid and a surfeit of committee meetings, the government has done little that would reduce the death toll if another strong cyclone strikes when the rainy season arrives again this spring, relief officials said.

One of the main lessons of last year's storm, according to relief workers and others who traveled in the devastated region, was the life-saving role played by Bangladesh's network of elevated, concrete cyclone shelters scattered along the southern coastline and sea islands — the region most vulnerable to sudden, violent storms.

Thousands of fishermen and villagers who lived near shelters, including many here in Charpara, survived the cyclone by packing themselves into the structures and hanging on until the rain and tidal waves subsided.

But there were not enough shelters. In some places, survivors recounted how, as the cyclone gathered force, those who arrived early at the shelters crammed themselves into every square inch of available space in and on top of the buildings. Hundreds and sometimes thousands more stood outside, they said, pushing and shoving in an effort to get up the shelter stairs. When the tidal surge struck, those outside were washed away.

The Bangladesh Rural Advancement Committee, one of the country's largest independent development groups, estimates that 4,000 to 5,000 shelters would be required to provide adequate haven for residents of the cyclone belt in a serious storm.

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Plans are afoot to modestly expand the shelter network, and ground is expected to be broken on the first new shelters later this year. But private relief officials say that while the government did an acceptable job of distributing emergency supplies immediately after the cyclone, long-term building plans have been slowed by bureaucratic bungling, poor communication and financial difficulties.

"It's the problem with the government, basically," said Salehuddin Ahmed, the rural advancement committee's director of programs. He said that the problem was not in the planning, but rather "in the implementation."

Mr. Ahmed said authority over the shelter-building program was scattered among several government ministries, coordinating committees and private relief organizations, with no single office capable of cutting red tape, allocating funds and directing a coherent building plan.

In addition, the shelters are expensive — about \$50,000 each — because of the need to sink deep foundations, construct sturdy stilts and haul building materials to remote areas.

A related problem is the expense of rebuilding sea walls and embankments flattened by the April storm. Mr. Ahmed said he longed for a system of impenetrable sea walls such as has been built in the Netherlands. But, he said, such structures are prohibitively expensive.

"If you want to bring about a big change, you need a lot of money," he said. "We can't afford it."

Neither can the Bangladeshi fishermen and farmers who live in the most vulnerable areas afford to move out of the way of another storm. In Charpara, the fishermen rebuilding bamboo houses said they had moved to the shoreline of the Bay of Bengal because they could find no land elsewhere in eroding, overpopulated Bangladesh on which to make a decent living.

"Our land and houses were gobbled up by the sea and the river," said Kala Mia, who stood on a nearby island supervising the construction of his new house on a flat expanse of sand by the sea.

"We were forced to move here," he said. "We have no place to go elsewhere."

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NEW YORK (AP) - The following quotations are based on the National Association of Securities Dealers' bid-ask prices for the day ending Feb. 14.

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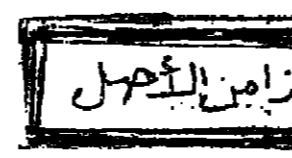
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CAPITAL: Conflicting Data Mar Economic Views

(Continued from first finance page) favorably with real returns available in European debt markets. And given expectations that the dollar will advance substantially later this year, he expects to see rising investments in dollar-denominated securities that should help keep the currency strong.

OPEC: Output Cut Seen as Too Little to Bolster Prices

(Continued from first finance page) away oil production, which reached an 11-year high last month. Several oil ministers conceded that the new production limits were not enough to keep oil prices from falling.

TRUCKS: Delivery Firm Said to Bribe Doors Open

(Continued from first finance page) it is not in exchange for favors. Mr. Sagawa boasted recently that his group had "taken care of 280 secretaries," meaning that it had handed over sizeable contributions to the aides of 280 members of the Diet.

Ruble Fund Begins to Take Shape

By Steven Greenhouse New York Times Service WASHINGTON — The United States and other Group of Seven nations have begun laying the groundwork for a multi-billion-dollar fund to stabilize the ailing Russian ruble, and some officials say such a fund might be set up in three to four months.

Russia Resists Call to Slow Credit

By Louis Uchitelle New York Times Service MOSCOW — Responding to Western pressure to cut back lending, a top official of Russia's Central Bank says that if the bank fails to provide fresh financing for the farm sector before spring planting, Russia's already damaged economy could go into a tailspin.

Bonds Face Mid-Week Hurdle

New Data and Greenspan Testimony Expected to Be Keys (Continued) battered last week as it absorbed \$36 billion in new notes and bonds at the quarterly refunding. The Treasury's 8 percent bonds due in 2021 were offered at a price of 100 2/32 late Friday, up 6/32, to yield 7.90 percent, compared with 7.91 percent on Thursday.

MUTUAL FUNDS

Table listing various mutual funds with columns for fund name, bid, ask, and other financial metrics.

flux and when the people of Russia and the other former Soviet republics that use the ruble have such little confidence in their currency. Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d said this week that

A ruble fund may be created shortly after Russia and other republics join the IMF. Washington would support such a plan only if Russia agreed to comply with an International Monetary Fund program of economic discipline.

Guardian Bidding for Mirror Group

LONDON (AP) — The Guardian newspaper confirmed Sunday that it is part of a consortium putting together a bid for the late Robert Maxwell's Mirror Group Newspapers PLC.

Olivetti Reaches Accord on Layoffs

ROME (Reuters) — The Italian computer maker Olivetti SpA said Sunday it had signed a three-year layoff and restructuring plan with unions and the government after five weeks of tough negotiations.

Perez De Cuellar to Advise to ENI

ROME (Reuters) — The former UN Secretary-General, Javier Perez De Cuellar, has been named special adviser to Italy's state energy group Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi, the company said on Friday.

Bundesbank Sees No Drop in Rates

HAMBURG (Reuters) — The Bundesbank president, Helmut Schlesinger, said there was no need now for a further rise in German interest rates but he also saw no scope for a reduction.

Taiwan's Overseas Investment Falls

TAIPEI (Reuters) — Overseas investment by Taiwanese businesses plunged 40.3 percent last month while foreign investment on the island shrank 34.13 percent, the Investment Commission said on Sunday.

WALL STREET REVIEW

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AMZ	1.25	1.20	1.25	0.05		
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WORLD STOCKS IN REVIEW

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Amsterdam

Stocks made a small gain on the week as the CBS all-share index finished at 222.2 on Friday...

Shares of chemical company DSM came under selling pressure as a result of a self-recommendation by a major U.S. broker...

Volume was moderate at 9.7 billion guilders, including 2.8 billion of equities...

Frankfurt

The bourse marked time as it remained in a consolidation phase, traders said. The DAX spot trade index lost 9.04 points on the week...

Analysts said that although the market's medium-term prospects remain good, the uncertain outcome of German wage negotiations...

Volume on the eight German exchanges totaled only 28.4 billion Deutsche marks...

Hong Kong

Share prices rose strongly in active trading with the Hang Seng index setting record highs three times...

The key barometer closed at 4,772.32 Friday, 60.95 points or 1.3 percent higher than the prior week's finish...

London

Shares finished flat after a week in which optimism about a cut in interest rates gave way to renewed worries about the length of the recession...

The FT-SE 100 Index eased 3.3 points on the week to 2,513.9, while the FT-30 Index gained 5.8 to 1,950.9.

Economic gloom was intensified by an unexpected acceleration in unemployment in January and output figures that showed the economy continuing to contract...

British Airways bucked the morose trend with a 15 percent advance in the wake of third-quarter results...

Milan

The market suffered a substantial loss, with the MIB index ending the week at 1,047, down 2.97 percent from 1,079 a week earlier...

Leading declines included British Petroleum, which lost 7 percent after freezing its final dividend in reaction to a 75 percent fall in 1991 net profit...

Paris

The Bourse marked time on low volume, with the CAC-40 index ending at 1,865.11 points, up 0.2 percent from 1,861 the previous Friday...

Analysts agreed that in the wake of the strong price run-up in late December and January, there was no reason for the Bourse to make any further significant progress...

Singapore

Trading was subdued and the Straits Times industrial index fell 22.38 points on the week to end at 1,503.91...

Tokyo

Share prices nosedived in thin trading on the Tokyo Stock Exchange because of the stronger dollar and the arrest of four people in the Sagawa Kyubin scandal...

The Nikkei Stock Average ended the holiday-shortened week at 20,883.86, a hefty drop of 1,223.26 yen or 5.5 percent on the week...

Zurich

The bourse experienced a week of consolidation on low volume, because of the widening Sagawa Kyubin scandal...

Nestlé gained 60 francs to finish at 9,230, while Union Bank of Switzerland dipped by 40 to 3,760...

Leopoldo Pirelli Steps Down at Tire Firm

MILAN — Leopoldo Pirelli has surrendered executive control of Pirelli SPA, the tire and cable maker founded by his grandfather...

In a surprise about-face, the 67-year-old Mr. Pirelli announced late on Friday that he was handing over operational control to his son-in-law, Marco Tronchetti Provera...

Mr. Pirelli had under pressure since the expensive failure last year of his attempt to merge Pirelli's tire interests with its German rival, Continental AG...

He had previously said he intended to stay at the helm to steer the company through the crisis provoked by the German defeat...

But in a statement after a board meeting on Friday, Mr. Pirelli announced his surrender of executive control.

An Upturn Is Seen in U.K. Sales

LONDON — Sales by British retailers in January rose higher than had been expected, according to a survey by the Confederation of British Industry...

Sales figures rose on a year-on-year basis for the sixth month in a row, although the CBI said this was largely because sales were so weak a year ago.

January proved a better month than expected, but orders placed with suppliers remain down on a year ago, and stock levels have fallen to their lowest levels since September 1988...

The survey, covering more than 1,000 small and medium-sized firms, said the British economy was not yet out of the woods but there were faint signs of recovery.

"At present the good news seems to be in the South and Midlands rather than the North, and in services rather than manufacturing," said David Marlow, chief executive of CBI.

Although the CBI's sales report pointed to only a modest improvement, it was likely to be greeted with some relief by the ruling Conservative Party...

But the rise in sales in January appeared to have been achieved at the expense of profit margins...

Inflation figures released on Friday showed that the official clothing and footwear index showed its biggest monthly fall since 1921 as stores slashed prices.

The CBI said the retail picture remained mixed, with clothing and shoe shops reporting a sharp upturn in sales in January.

Retailers of electrical household goods saw modest sales increases, but sales of alcohol from shops were down sharply.

Overall, companies expected sales to show an annual rise in February.

"The group's way ahead has been mapped out and I believe that it should proceed under the guidance of people who can follow it through from beginning to end," he said.

Following the failure of its Continental bid, Pirelli announced a long-term restructuring to be completed by 1995...

Corriere Della Sera, the Milan daily, reported that Mr. Pirelli quit at the insistence of banks financing the company's restructuring program...

Mediocredito is the largest single stakeholder with 8 percent in Pirelli & Company, the holding company for the industrial group...

Its share price has slumped some 40 percent since it announced the end of talks with Continental on Nov. 30.

also the pillar of the complex shareholder alliance backing the management.

Mr. Pirelli will remain as chairman of the group, but the day-to-day control will pass to Mr. Tronchetti Provera...

As part of its restructuring, Pirelli has said it will sell its diversified products division, whose 1.8 trillion lire turnover, including activities ranging from sportswear to car components...

The group recently announced losses for last year of 690 billion lire, compared with a 153 billion profit a year earlier...

The group's restructuring is now in jeopardy.

Americans Starved for Time

WASHINGTON — Americans increasingly find themselves overworked and underpaid as they struggle to maintain their living standards, a report released on Sunday said.

"America is starved for time," the report from the liberal Economic Policy Institute research organization said. "Increasing numbers of people are finding themselves overworked, stressed out and heavily taxed by the joint demands of work and family life."

The study, by Juliet Schor and Laura Leete-Guy, two economists, showed that the average American in 1989 worked 158 more hours of work in 1989 than did his counterpart 20 years earlier.

The report blamed the increase in working hours on the decline in inflation-adjusted wages since 1973 and the rise in health care and housing costs during that time.

The conclusions of the study seem to belie Japanese criticism that lazy American workers are to blame for U.S. economic woes.

"Americans are finding themselves with progressively less leisure," the institute's report said.

It said that paid time off—vacations, holidays, sick leave and personal days—fell roughly 15 percent in the 1980s. Even the "meager two weeks" of vacation enjoyed on average by American workers is now in jeopardy.

That contrasts with the four- to six-week vacations common in Europe. "As West Europeans gain free time, Americans are losing it," the study said.

The work explosion has been particularly hard on women and parents, who are finding themselves with less time to spend with their children, the report said.

Omani, African BCCI Units Bought

Banking entities have purchased branches of Bank of Credit & Commerce International in Oman and four African countries following the July seizure of many of the scandal-plagued bank's operations by international regulators.

The central bank of Oman said that Bank Dhofar Al Oman Al Fransi has purchased the 12 BCCI (Overseas) Ltd. branches in the Sultanate.

It said depositors and creditors would be paid in full, though without interest from July 5, when the bank was closed as part of the worldwide seizure of BCCI units that followed fraud allegations.

Bank Dhofar Al Oman Al Fransi is a venture established in Oman in 1989 with Paribas, the French bank.

By this action, the Sultanate of Oman becomes the first country where creditors and depositors will receive their funds without any deduction, notwithstanding the deficit in the balance sheet which resulted from mismanagement abroad.

The takeover will turn the Bank of Dhofar, one of Oman's smaller banks which operates only two branches, into a major financial institution in the country.

Separately in Abidjan, Ivory Coast, the African Development Bank said Friday it would restructure its Nigeria Trust Fund to allow it to purchase four BCCI branches in West Africa.

It said the Nigeria Trust Fund, which until now has funded only development projects, would set up a holding company to buy the assets of BCCI branches in Ivory Coast, Senegal, Niger and Togo.

The company, the Nigerian Trust Bank, will be owned and managed by the fund. The BCCI branches will be renamed and sever

links with the BCCI network. It was not immediately clear if investors would be able to recover their full deposits at the four banks.

The African Development Bank was a major investor in BCCI's West African operations, and sources have said it was keen to safeguard its interests. They said the four West African branches had plenty of cash and the concern was to stop their assets being poured into BCCI's worldwide liquidation.

"The operations of the Nigeria Trust Fund will be diversified away from its traditional project-financing role towards the development of intra-African trade and financial services," the African Development Bank said.

It said \$150 million of its \$400 million of assets had been earmarked for trade objectives including financing export deals and encouraging financial networks within Africa.

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MONDAY SPORTS

England Trounces France and Scots Triumph in Dublin

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches PARIS — Fullback Jonathan Webb scored 19 points Saturday as England beat France for the fifth time in a row...

FIVE NATIONS RUGBY

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before halftime. France, after conceding an early penalty to Webb, rallied to a 4-3 lead on a try in the 33rd minute...

In the second half, England notched two more tries, by Rory Underwood and Dean Richards...

Humiliated as the English lead grew, French tempers flared. Lascube was expelled in the 71st minute...



England's Jonathan Webb racing away from his teammate Rory Underwood and Philippe Sella of France on a try to a first-half try.

Philippe Sella, the French captain, said: "Most of all, I regret that everything was the opposite of what we were hoping for..."

second straight Grand Slam, a feat it last achieved in 1924. In Dublin, fly-half Ralph Keyes put Ireland into the lead with an 11th-minute penalty.

Gavin Hastings converted and then added a try to give Scotland a 9-3 halftime lead.

The first four races of the second round of the challenger series and the sixth race of the defender trials were postponed.

Storms Again Force Cup Postponements

The Associated Press SAN DIEGO — All five America's Cup races were postponed Saturday as the third in a series of torrential storms battered the Southern California coast.

Meanwhile, the Russian Red Star '92 syndicate, forced to withdraw from America's Cup competition when its boat failed to arrive in time, announced that it would sponsor a series of unofficial races during the break between the third and fourth rounds.

On Wednesday, the race between Dennis Conner's Stars & Stripes and Bill Koch's Defiant was delayed a day due to high winds.

The races all were pushed back a day. Sunday's schedule has France's Ville de Paris against Japan's Nippon, Italy's Il Moro di Venezia against Sweden's Tre Kronor, Challenge Australia against Espana '92 and Spirit of Australia against New Zealand.

The race between the two American boats, Defiant and America3, was rescheduled for Tuesday, when the pair is already scheduled to meet in the final race of round 1.

4 Years Later, Losers Win

The Associated Press BELMONT, California — The College of Notre Dame's women's basketball team, long familiar with the agony of defeat, can savor some glory now that its 70-game losing streak — the longest in National Collegiate Athletic Association history — is over.

The Argonauts ended a streak Friday night that stretched back to 1988 when they defeated Simpson Bible College of Redding, 33-32. "It's an awesome feeling to win," said Kessy Sealey, who had 18 points and 16 rebounds for the winners.

SCOREBOARD

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NBA Standings

Table with columns for Eastern Conference and Western Conference, listing teams like New York, Philadelphia, and Chicago with their records.

FRIDAY'S RESULTS

Table listing basketball game results from Friday, including Philadelphia vs New Jersey and Orlando vs Milwaukee.

Major College Scores

Table listing college basketball scores, including Boston College vs Villanova, Duke vs North Carolina, and Stanford vs Michigan.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS

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HOCKEY

NHL Standings

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FIVE NATIONS TOURNAMENT

Table listing rugby players and their statistics, including France's Viers and England's Webb.

FRANCE: Viers (23), Ponnard (47)

Table listing rugby players and their statistics, including Ireland's Wall and Scotland's Hooper.

TENNIS

DOHNEY INDOOR

Table listing tennis players and their statistics, including Boris Becker and Andre Agassi.

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Table listing tennis players and their statistics, including Andre Agassi and Andrei Medvedev.

SOCCER

EUROPEAN CUP

Table listing soccer players and their statistics, including Arsenal and Bayern Munich.

ITALIAN FIRST DIVISION

Table listing soccer players and their statistics, including Juventus and Fiorentina.

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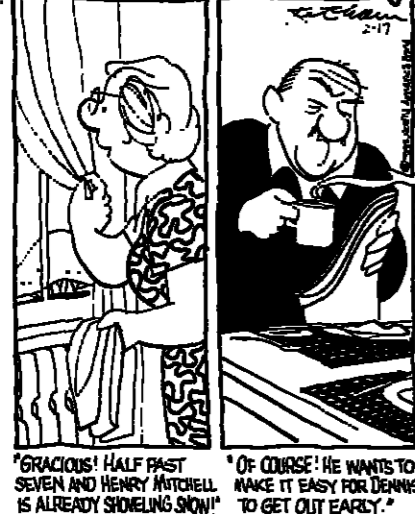
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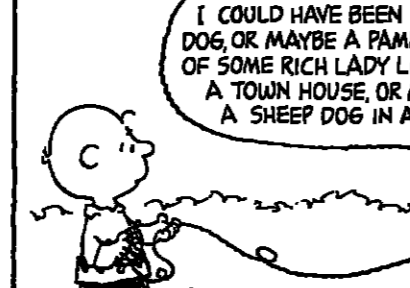
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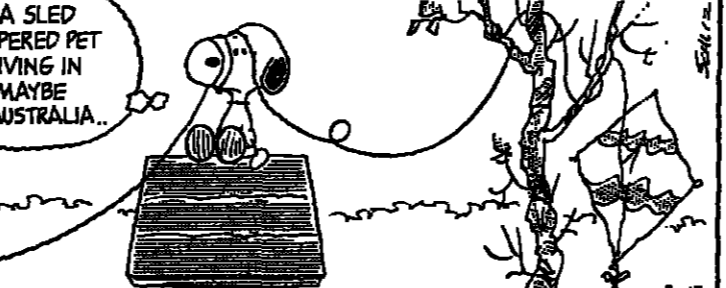
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MONDAY SPORTS

Krabbe Vows to Appeal 4-Year Ban for Doping



Katrin Krabbe said there would be "legal proceedings" following her four-year suspension by the German Athletics Association.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEUBRANDENBURG, Germany — Katrin Krabbe, the world champion sprinter from Germany, said Sunday that there would be "legal proceedings" following her four-year suspension by the German Athletics Association for an alleged doping violation.

They could be stripped of those medals if the International Amateur Athletic Association upholds the German federation's findings that they had also tampered with samples as early as July last year, a month before the world championships.

considerable danger for the whole of German top-level sport, Seifers, whose portfolio includes sport, told the east German news agency ADN.

The president of the German federation, Helmut Meyer, said in an interview on Sunday with the German sports news agency SID that the decision to suspend the women was "the worst decision" of his life.

International Olympic Committee. "Now we have to deal with the consequences of something that lasted for 40 years. But we have to deal with it."

Lakers to Bid Farewell to 32, the Magic Number

By David Aldridge Washington Post Service INGLEWOOD, California — It was said of John Lennon that he was always in search of greater challenges, or at least something to keep him from getting bored.

He was preparing so much for that All-Star Game," he said. "Probably after next week I will, in my own mind, set something for myself."

His All-Star performance last weekend has not swayed him one way or another, he said. But he is scheduled to meet soon with doctors, including Michael Mellman, the Lakers' team physician.

"I'm a day-by-day supporter," James Worthy said. "Whatever he does day-by-day is pretty much how the team has approached it."

When Abdul-Jabbar had his farewell tour in 1990, the Lakers were ecstatic about it at the start, bored in the middle and weary of it in the end, when the team bought the retiree a Rolls-Royce.

Oklahoma State Builds the Wrong Kind of Streak

The Associated Press After opening the season with 20 straight victories, Oklahoma State is struggling. Justin Thigpen scored 11 of his 22 points in overtime, then set up Fred Hoiberg for the game-winning three-point play with 8 seconds left as Iowa State beat the second-ranked Cowboys, 84-83, on Saturday in Ames, Iowa.

No. 5 Kansas 82, Colorado 45: The Jayhawks (19-2, 7-1) held first place in the Big Eight with their ninth straight victory at home.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL point second-half lead before making 10 of 14 free throws down the stretch. North Carolina, which beat the Tigers by 34 at home earlier in the season, pulled within one game of first-place Duke in the Atlantic Coast Conference.

the first meeting between the two newest kids on the Southeastern Conference block, the Razorbacks (19-5, 8-2) prevailed at home behind the 21 points of Isaiah Morris.

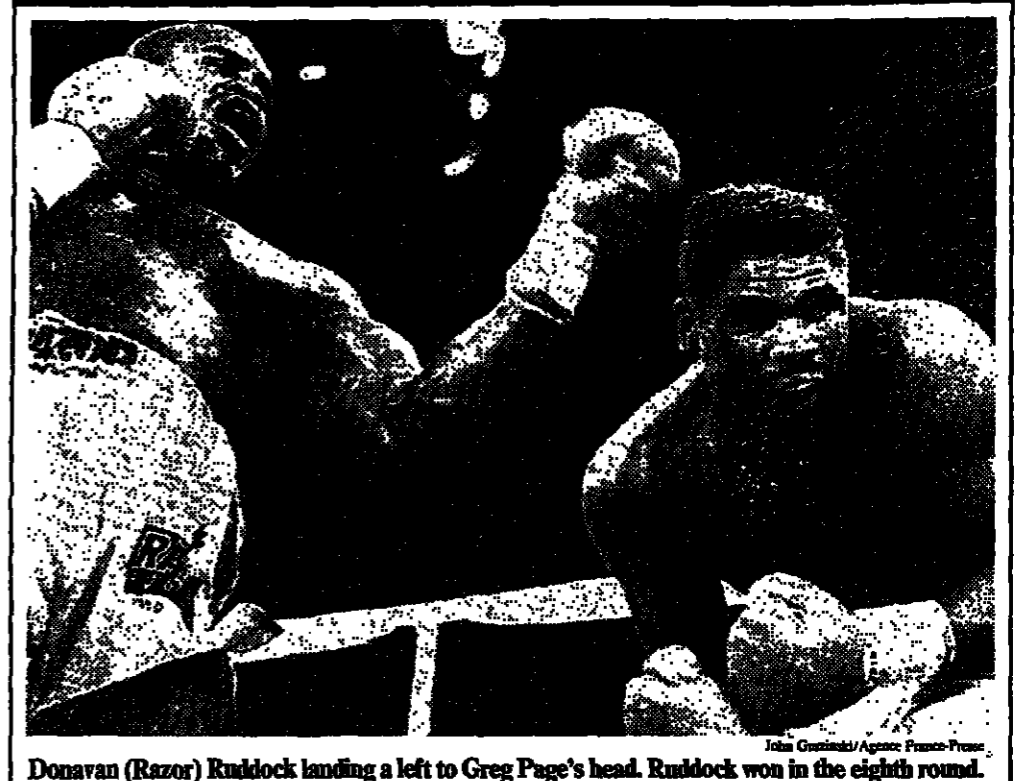
In what promises to be another tear-jerker day in an emotional National Basketball Association season, Johnson's No. 32 will be retired by the Los Angeles Lakers at halftime of their game with the Boston Celtics.

And Larry Bird, with his ailing back, will be there. Against the wishes of Celtics' doctors, Bird flew in to be with Johnson, who retired Nov. 7 after testing positive for the AIDS virus.

It was the second straight loss and third in the last four games for Oklahoma State (21-3, 5-3). Iowa State (18-6, 4-4) overcame an 18-point deficit in regulation and a seven-point OT hole.

No. 3 UCLA 84, Oregon 65: Tracy Murray scored 22 points and made six of eight 3-pointers as UCLA took sole possession of first place in the Pac-10.

No. 12 Michigan St. 76, No. 17 Michigan 59: Mike Peplowski scored 18 points and the visiting Spartans made up for an overtime loss to Michigan on Jan. 29.



Donovan (Razor) Riddock landing a left to Greg Page's head. Riddock won in the eighth round.

A Resounding Riddock Victory

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LAS VEGAS—Donovan (Razor) Riddock, the last boxer to fight Mike Tyson, ushered in the post-Tyson heavyweight era on a most fitting note.

"I hit him hard and harder and harder," said Riddock. "I knew Page had come to fight."

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Japanese Baseball Cool to U.S. Bids

Official Affirms Insular Policy

By Steven R. Weisman New York Times Service TOKYO — The officials who run baseball in Japan have made it clear that a U.S.-owned company would find it difficult to do here what Nintendo Co. wants to do in the United States: acquire a major league team.

edge that when it comes to their own league, they regard baseball as a home-grown product with its customs and traditions that should be protected from foreign influence.

The reason, they say, is that Japanese fans regard baseball as a part of the national culture no less than many Americans do.

Japanese teams are barred, for instance, from having more than two foreign players at a time.

"I believe Japanese fans would not approve a foreign company owning a professional baseball team," Ichiro Yoshikuni, the sport's commissioner, said last week.

Japanese baseball emphasizes grueling workouts, team spirit, an almost martial discipline and elaborate customs of saving face, making it difficult for many U.S. players to adjust.

Yoshikuni said the rule could be waived by the owners, and he suggested there might even be loopholes. But he added that such a step was unlikely.

Another major difference relates to ownership. All Japanese teams are owned by large corporations, usually highly visible companies that control newspapers, railroads and retail operations.

A Foreign Ministry spokesman said the Japanese bid should be seen in the context of philanthropic activities by Japanese companies operating in the United States.

For that reason, he said, any U.S. company interested in purchasing a Japanese team would probably have to be one already with high visibility in Japan and eager for more publicity.

SIDELINES

Becker Outlasts Courier in Brussels

BRUSSELS (Reuters)—Boris Becker saved three match points in the third set before going on to beat Jim Courier, the world's No. 1 player, 6-7, 2-6, 7-6, 7-5, in the final of the Belgian indoor tennis tournament on Sunday.

Parry Overtakes Norman in Sydney

SYDNEY (AP)—Craig Parry shot a 5-under-par 68 on Sunday to overtake the six-time champion Greg Norman and win the Australian Masters golf championship for the first time.

Briton Wins First Vietnam Marathon

HO CHI MINH CITY (NYT)—Hundreds of thousands of Vietnamese watched with curiosity and delight on Sunday as their first international marathon was won by a British lawyer, who was followed triumphantly by a young Vietnamese gym teacher.

Red Dog Ettinger, NFL Star, Dies

COOKEVILLE, Tennessee (AP)—Donald (Red Dog) Ettinger, a former All-Pro linebacker who was once traded for 11 players, has died. He was 70.

A Protest by Belgian Soccer Fans

BRUSSELS (Reuters)—A handful of disgruntled fans interrupted a Belgian first division soccer match between Antwerp and Ekeren on Saturday when they walked on the field and held a brief sit-in to claim their money back.

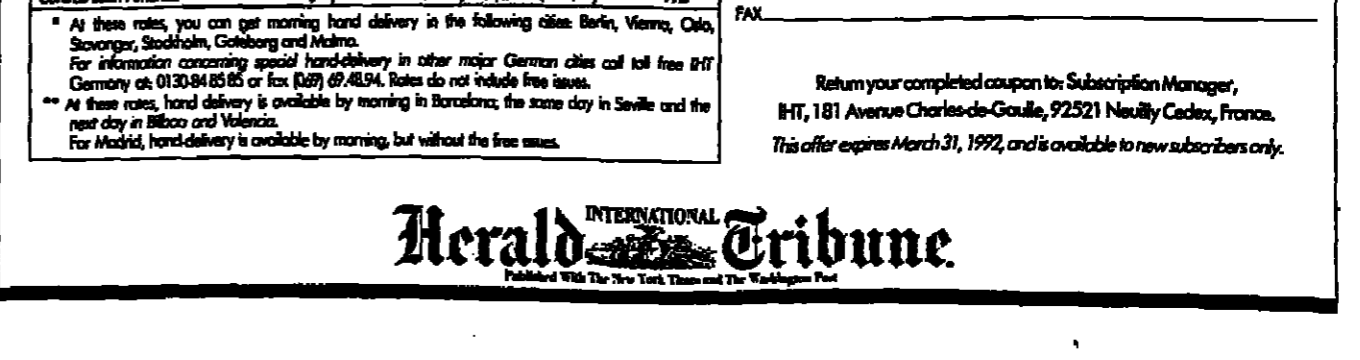
For the Record

Robert Quiroga of the United States retained his International Boxing Federation superflyweight title on Saturday night when he outpointed Carlos Mercado of Colombia in 12 rounds in Salerno, Italy. (Reuters)

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SPORTS 1992 WINTER OLYMPICS

Unified Team Hands Canada First Defeat in Hockey

France Beats Norway, 4-2, To Gain Quarterfinal Slot

The Associated Press
MERIBEL, France — The Unified Team handed Canada its first loss, 5-4, Sunday night in the Olympic hockey tournament but Canada kept its group's No. 1 seeding because of the tournament's tiebreaking system.

from the right boards and fired in a 30-foot wrist shot from the inside edge of the left circle.
Geir Hoff's power-play goal at 5:32 cut the lead to 2-1.

But Dunn struck again at 9:39. Stephane Barin nudged the puck toward Schistad, but the goalie stayed in his crease. Dunn, skated from the left, scored from point-blank range.

Norway's Marius Røth then scored on a breakthrough with 5:38 left.
France had been in the Olympic tournament four previous times. It finished fifth in 1924 and 1928, 14th in 1968 and 11th in 1988.

Czechoslovakia (4-1) had already clinched a medal-round spot but had no chance to gain the top seed in its group.

Peter Veselovsky's 30-foot shot beat goalie Renato Tosio with 3:17 to play to end a 2-2 tie, and Ladislav Lubina scored 35 seconds later.

Twice in the first two periods, Switzerland took one-goal leads. Both times, Czechoslovakia rallied to tie.

Patrick Howald's slap shot beat Czech goalie Oldrich Svoboda 7:58 into the game before Petr Rosol's wrist shot made it 1-1 after one.

Manuele Celio scored between Svoboda's pads in the second period to put the Swiss ahead again, but Robert Lang's breakthrough goal evened the score.

France (2-3) finished fourth in Group B, it eliminated Norway and Switzerland.

Igor Kravtchouk scored his second goal with 7:16 to play for the Unified Team, which gained the second seed and will play either Finland or Sweden on Wednesday.

Czechoslovakia, the third seed, will meet either Sweden, the United States or Finland on Wednesday.

Goalie Sean Burke allowed one more goal Sunday than he had in his previous three games but kept Canada from being blown out by the Unified Team, which had a 52-19 advantage in shots.

Canada was outshot 19-4 and fell behind, 3-2, in the first period.

The Unified Team went ahead on Dmitri Mironov's power-play goal. Then Dave Archibald and Eric Lindros put Canada ahead, 2-1, but the Unified Team came back with goals 45 seconds apart.

After Nikolai Borstchevski scored on a rebound, Sergei Petrenko capped a textbook two-one-one break by converting Alexei Jannov's pass.

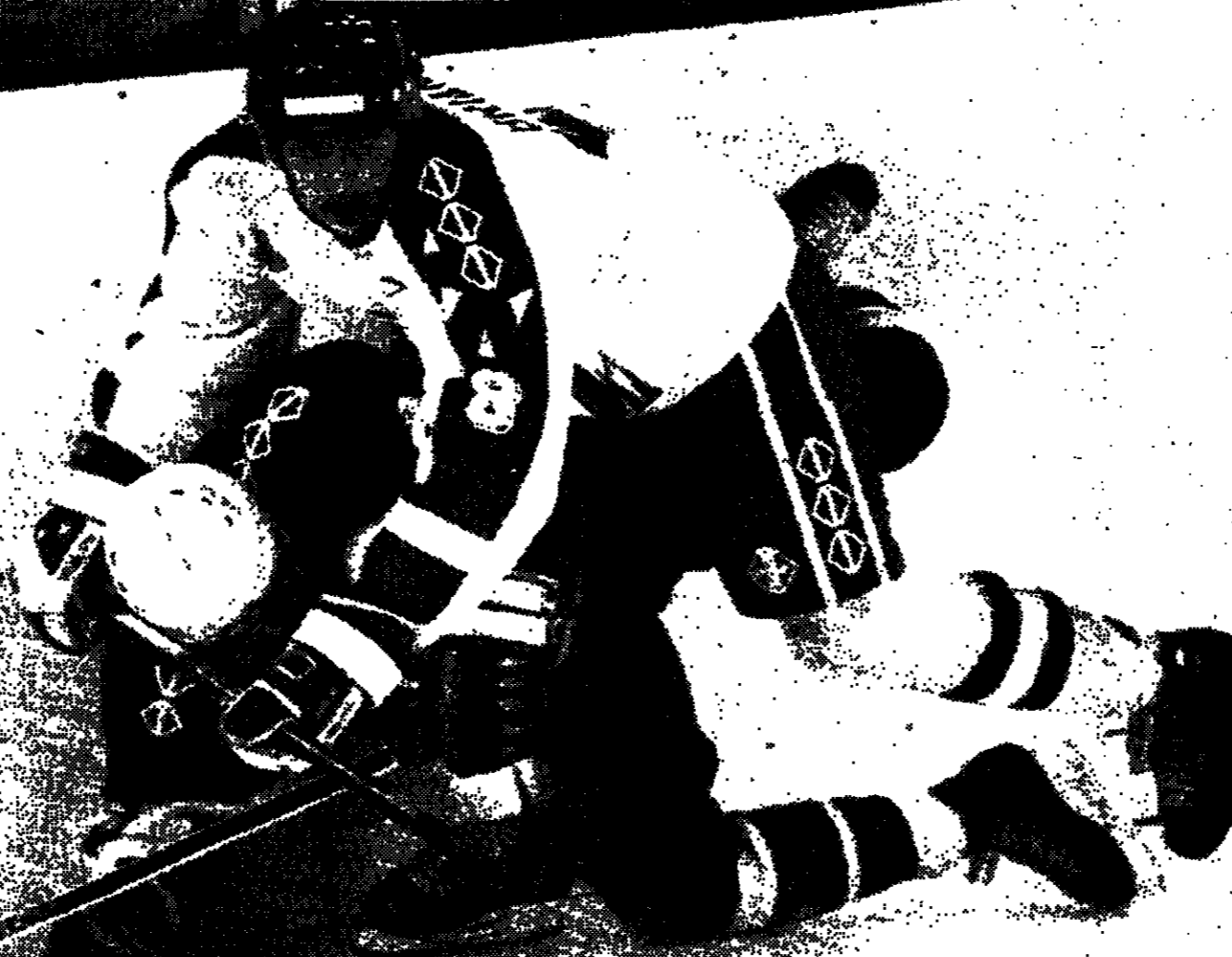
Kravtchouk scored the only goal of the second period with a slap shot from the point over Burke's glove.

Dave Tippett and Dave Hannan scored in the third period, making it 4-4, before Kravtchouk's winner.

Norway came back from 2-0 and 3-1 deficits but never caught France. Bozon scored into an empty net with 14 seconds left.

Dunn scored 1:40 into the game when he flipped the puck from just inside the top of the right circle through Robert Schistad's pads.

Bozon's power-play goal at 4:14 of the third period made the score 2-0. He took Peter Almasy's pass



Arnaud Briand got Ole Dahlstrom down as the French got Norway out and, with a 4-2 victory, gained the medal round for the first time.

Germans End the Soviet Reign in Relay

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches
LES SAISIES, France — Mark Kirchner joined three other athletes as double champions in the Winter Olympics on Sunday, leading Germany to a 22.8-second victory over the Unified Team in the men's 4 x 7.5-kilometer biathlon relay.

It was the first time a non-Soviet team had won the men's Olympic relay since it was added to the Winter Games' program in 1968.

Ricco Gross, runner-up in the individual 10-kilometer sprint, turned in a superb next to last leg and gave anchorman Fischer an 18-second lead over the Unified team and Norway on the last leg.

"I knew I could make the difference in the shooting," said Fischer, who skied the last 50 meters waving a German flag. "Those guys before me had a fantastic race. I only had to bring it home."

Gross, however, had a troubled first leg. When he handed off to Steingens, Germany was in 13th place, almost a minute behind Finland.

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Unified Team's Egorova Captures 2d Gold in Cross-Country Skiing

The Associated Press
LES SAISIES, France — Lyubov Egorova of the Unified Team won her second gold medal of the Games by skiing to a 24.1-second victory in the women's 10-kilometer freestyle cross-country race.

For Egorova, 26, the medal Saturday was her third in as many races. She won the 15-kilometer classic-style last Sunday and finished second in Thursday's five-kilometer classic-style.

Earlier Saturday, Bjorn Dahlbe came in first in the men's 15-kilometer, the second leg of the men's pursuit, as Norway continued win-

ning in the men's cross-country event.

Dahlbe, 24, the world's premier freestyle skier, led a 1-2 Norwegian finish, beating Vegard Ulvang, who skied the last 50 meters waving an Italian flag. "Those guys before me had a fantastic race. I only had to bring it home."

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In Poland, the Historian Who Couldn't Quit Politics

MONTE CARLO—There were the people one might expect to see at an annual international television festival—hucksters, promoters, and the ever-egregious Gina Lollobrigida. The documentary competition sponsored by the Université Radiophonique Télévisuelle Internationale

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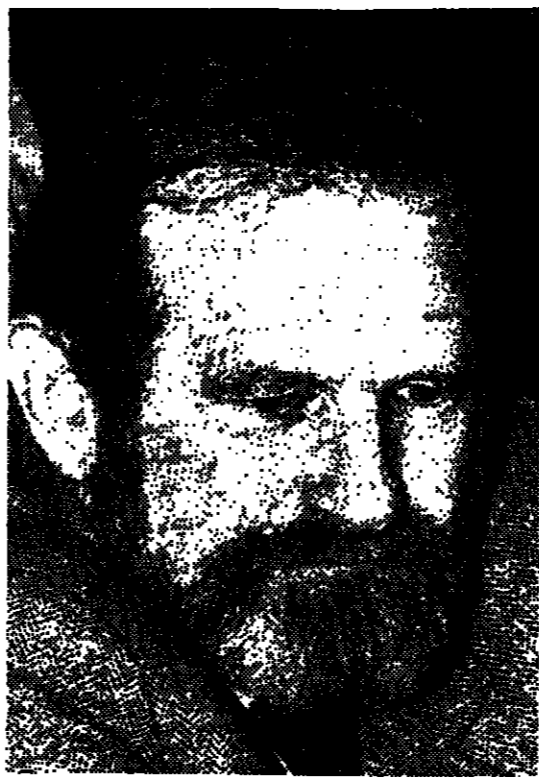
had Juliette Gréco as its president and, rather surprisingly, as one of its jurors Bronislaw Geremek, the Polish historian, former Solidarity adviser, and at present, having failed to form a government last Nov. 4, a member of parliament, chairman of the foreign affairs and constitutional reform commissions, and leader of the opposition Democratic Union, the largest party in Poland's deeply fragmented parliament.

Geremek was an adviser to Lech Walesa from the early days of the Solidarity movement.

Geremek, a benign and very soft-spoken figure carrying a pipe and wearing a brown suit, had flown in from Warsaw for two days of film-watching. "When I have the chance to leave political life, I am delighted," he said. Just looking at documentaries enables him to reflect and not act: to think, he says, like an historian. His specialty is French and Polish medieval history with emphasis on marginal groups such as criminals and the poor. He believes with Vaslav Nijinsky that post-communist politics has room for intellectuals but years to return to research. "As a historian I think I can bring something to politics. It's not sure, though, that it actually is good for me because history demands reflection and politics sometimes demand that one not reflect at all."

dent than as an elected politician, Geremek says. "It's like a western with the good guy and the bad, and there is a certain purity in the engagement. And then of course it fades." During his presidential campaign in 1990, when he was trailing behind even General Wojciech Jaruzelski, Walesa stated he had been taken in by the intellectuals. "They misled me," he claimed. Geremek smiles sadly. "When Walesa was trying to gain power he resorted to anti-intellectual and even anti-Semitic slogans. He forgot that a politician has to use not only tactics but needs a strategy, a program. I think he understands that better now."

One of Poland's rare Jews to survive World War II, Geremek says the current wave of anti-Semitism is common to all the former communist countries in search of a scapegoat. "The importance of anti-Semitism in Poland must not be exaggerated and turned into anti-Polishism, which only exacerbates anti-Semitic feeling. But the importance of anti-Semitism must not be underestimated either, because after the Holocaust it is our duty to react if we see the slightest scrap of anti-Semitism, however marginal it may seem."



Bronislaw Geremek

Soviet Union. Geremek finds this understandable but disturbing. "People forget that Poland is a sort of laboratory experiment for all the Eastern countries. If economic and political reforms don't work in Poland, they won't work in Russia, Belarus or Ukraine. If in Poland there is a movement to an authoritarian government, it is probable that the same thing will happen in the former Soviet Union." "So I think if you are trying to help, you help first those who help themselves, which is the case of Poland. People don't realize that Poland is at a dangerous crossroad. Transformation to a market economy is taking place but public finances are in crisis. That means there aren't funds for social services, education and health. And that means that the demagogues will easily find a clientele. There is a risk that the reforms will stop and evolution end."

Liberated Modifiers: Fast Forward

By William Safire

WASHINGTON—I was watching a soap on cable and wishing it were a western when the thought struck: Will I need a physical to get major medical? Native speakers have no difficulty with the foregoing. Liberated modifiers have swept through the language, and these adjectives and attributive nouns now stand alone; the words they once modified have been cast into what the Old Bolsheviks used to call "the dustbin of history."

winds to blow the wrong way, wet conditions in dry areas, floods and a rise in world protein prices. Because it has great allegorical resonance, I write a profound political thumbtack about the El Niño current every time around. This year I equated its return to the inexorability of recessions; it's as good as the dart-board theory of stock selection.

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Those of us who write op-eds for dailies and long for multimedias can hardly complain about our kids grabbing their portables and hopping in the compact or the convertible to go to the condo on the beach, where they promise to study their electives. (That gets rid of pages, newspapers, milk, radios, cars, automobiles, apartments and courses.) After my first observation of this downsizing of our vocabulary, Joan Murray of Rochester, New York, wrote, "My temp got a perm after she met the sub from the tech wearing his cord at the pub." Lynn G. Zeitlin of Nerberth, Pennsylvania, reported she saw "an obnoxious in shorts driving a stick and drinking a soda, having just delivered a preemie."

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